



# TEACHER INDUCTION PACK

2023 - 2024

**EARLSMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL** 

SUCCESS for All

# **Welcome letter**Earlsmead Primary School

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Dear Colleague,

Welcome to Earlsmead Primary School!

We hope your time with us is stimulating and worthwhile. We want you to feel that you are a member of a successful and hardworking team. This induction programme is one way in which we can help to make that happen.

We recognise that our pupils will achieve most from well-informed, highly motivated staff. New staff will be supported during their induction period. We aim to complete induction as promptly as possible.

This induction pack contains material which will support your induction programme. The aim of the induction programme is to ensure that you are able to assimilate information about the school and how we work, as easily as possible. You will then be able to contribute to the maintenance of high standards of performance in your job and to the general ethos of the school.

At the beginning of your induction programme, please ensure that you have familiarised yourself with the following:

- 1. Your Job Description you should have received a copy of your Job Description prior to your appointment.
- 2. The Staff Code you should have received a copy of this prior to your appointment.
- 3. The School Website this includes lots of information on our policies, values, organisation, staff etc.

# Staff Induction Sheet Earlsmead Primary School

Name:	
Role:	
Start Date of Employment:	

By the end of the first day
You should have been shown/told about:

Timetable and class lists	
Where to put your coat and bag/personal belongings	
Toilets – staff and pupils'	
First Aiders — who they are	
Location of the medical room (Welfare)	
Who manages whom - Staff schemata	
Fire drills and procedures	
Security of the building, signing in and out	
Duties and Rotas	
Staff briefings and meetings	
Car parking	
Staff lunch	
Use of phones/private calls	
IT log in and email details	

By the end of the first week
You should have been shown/told about:

Code of Conduct	
Safeguarding Training including Child Protection Policy	
School aims and values	
Mission statement	
SEND Policy	
Behaviour Policy	
SIMS - Registers and Assessment	
Health and Safety Policy	
Intimate Care Policy including Reducing the Risk of Allegation	
Behaviour systems (Class Dojo)	
Lunchtime procedures	
Keeping fire doors and exits clear of obstruction	
Self-certification of sickness	
Request for Leave of Absence Form	
Accident and illness procedures	
Accident forms	
Information on curriculum expectations	

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Between weeks one to six
You should have been shown/told about:

Marking and Feedback Policy	
Eletrical safety	
Supervision of pupils — activity duties	
Using the: Photocopier Laminator Guillotine Shredder Risograph	
Requesting IT support	
Risk Assessments for all activites	
School trip documents	
Homework Policy	
Diaries — School office	
Location of curriculum resources	
Annotating pupils' work	
Interactive whiteboard/plasma screen	

Lesson plan formats	
Pupils Assessment Files	
Annual Reviews	
End of Year Reports	
End of Term Assessments	
Achievement Assemblies	
School Improvement Plan	
Stock ordering	
Classroom Library	
Inclusion folders	
School Library	
Book store	
Edukey	

Tutor:		
Mentor: .		

#### Mission Statement

At Earlsmead Primary School we encourage all members of our school community to strive to be the best they can be and develop new skills that empower them for life- long learning in order to become confident, valuable, members of society.

We create an inclusive, supportive, safe and challenging environment where all contributions are valued.

Learning is motivating and independence is encouraged hence all become reflective, self- learning team members with a positive sense of wellbeing and a love of learning.

#### Our Vision

Working in partnership with children, parents, staff and Governors as a community we will achieve Success for All through:

Securing resilience
Understanding values and respecting others
Committing to our learning
Community involvement
Equality for all
Striving to do our very best
Setting high expectations



## Key Information

- Confidentiality
- Professional conduct
- Health and safety
- Staffroom
- Things to remember
- At the end of the day
- Refreshments

## Confidentiality

All adults working in a school, on a paid or voluntary basis, are in a privileged position regarding what they may say or hear. It is vital that, except where Child Protection Issues are concerned, confidentiality is respected in all cases. It is NOT appropriate to:

- Discuss a child's progress or behaviour with anyone other than that child's parents or guardian or relevant member of staff
- Discuss a child's progress or behaviour with a parent 'out of school' – this includes internet social network.
- Discuss a child or family in front of others

## Professional Conduct

- Do not be tempted to be 'friends' with parents and pupils on any social networking sites.
- All staff are expected to act in a professional manner at ALL times.
- For any complaints, please refer to the schools Whistleblowing Policy on the school website.

## Health and Safety

All members of staff are responsible for the health and safety of everyone in the school community. Please report any potential safety hazard or risk to the Site Team. Any faults that need to be looks at can be written on the whiteboard opposite the site team cupboard. Please read the Health and Safety Policy.

First aiders — displayed on the wall of each classroom

## Refreshments

- Each class has access to drinking water
- All children are allowed to bring a names water bottle to drink at appropriate times
- Some children have milk –
  each class will have a list.
  The milk is kept in the fridge
  next to the welfare
- Fruit Free fruit for all children – located next to welfare

## Staffroom

- There are no 'special' chairs.
- Please put your washing up in the dishwasher.
- Please take your turn to unload the dishwasher.
- Please keep kitchen area tidy at all times.
- Please throw away unwanted food,
- Please keep the staffroom tidy.

All staff need to be aware of confidentiality issues when using the staffroom.

No staff should carry hot drinks out of the staffroom without a lid.

## At the end of the day

- Send letters, books, etc. home
- Please ensure that the children are met by a known adult. All agreed names should be on the yellow dismissal slip.
- Dismissal register to be completed each day with details of who collected.
- Staff to be aware of who is attending clubs

DfE's statutory guidance Keeping children safe in education 2022 (publishing.service.gov.uk) states that safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everyone's responsibility and that school staff are particularly important as they are in a position to identify concerns early, provide help for children, and prevent concerns from escalating.

It is important to familiarise yourself with part one of this guidance, as well as our school's safeguarding policy and practice at the start of the year — and to ask questions about anything you are unsure of.

If you have a concern about a child's welfare, you should follow the school's referral processes set out in school's safeguarding policy and procedures. If need be, you are expected to support social workers and other agencies following any referral.

Every school has a designated safeguarding lead who is a member of the school's leadership team and provides support to staff to carry out their safeguarding duties and liaises closely with other services such as children's social care.

The school's Designated Safeguarding Lead is: Jackie Stangroom

The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead(s) is/are: Catherine Fennell, Barbara Graham

The Designated Safeguarding Lead will have shared the school's safeguarding policy, staff code of conduct and other relevant procedures and documents with you as part of your induction.

If you think a child or young person is in need because they are suffering or likely to suffer significant harm:

- Make a note of what you have seen or been told: don't make assumptions keep an open mind
- Don't ask any leading questions and don't cross-examine the child. Only ask simple and open questions Who? What? Where? When? etc.
- Don't physically examine the child (other than in an emergency when no first aider is available)
- NEVER promise to keep "secrets". Explain that you can listen to them, but make it clear that if you perceive that they are in any danger of harm then you will have to seek advice because you have a duty to protect children and young people. Reassure them that they can be helped and kept safe
- Maintain confidentiality for the child or young person. Be discreet do or say nothing that may place the child or yourself at risk.
- It is normally the role of the Designated Safeguarding Lead to ring home or contact relevant teams in the Local Authority
- Act quickly and share the information with your Designated and/or Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
- If the disclosure or your concern relates to a member of staff, this must as soon as possible be shared with the Headteacher or the Designated Safeguarding Lead if the Headteacher is not available and nothing should be said to the colleague involved. It must be shared with the Chair of Governors if it relates to the Headteacher

# Tips and strategies for time and workload management

Strategies that might work for you include:

Creating clear boundaries between work and home. Try not to let work spill over into your personal life. If you need to bring work home, designate a separate area for work and stick to it, you'll find it much easier to then close the door on work.

Planning your work. Find a way that suits you, some people use a planner or make a 'realistic' to do list. (At the end of each day, go over your list/ planner and write up one for the next day, when your thoughts are down on paper, you'll find it easier to not think about work.

#### Managing your working hours.

You'll have times when you need to work longer to meet deadlines but try to make this the exception not the norm. Long hours mean you may be working harder, but not better — they'll quickly take their toll on your concentration, productiveness and health and your ability to implement the 'cycle of care' effectively.

Working smart not long. This involves tight prioritisation and allowing yourself a certain amount of time per task. Try not to get caught up in less productive activities. Do you, for example, check your e-mails only at specific points in the day? Is your e-mail alert turned off? When asked or, given the opportunity, to do an optional additional/ different activity, give yourself time to think about it and how you would manage it before saying yes or no!

Accepting help and asking for help. Your induction tutor and mentor will meet with you regularly and will be a valuable source of advice, resources and assistance, as will your colleagues and fellow ECTs. There are also a range of external organisations who support teachers including trade unions and the charity Education Support Partnership

**Good enough versus fabulous**. Sometimes, if you're busy, you need to explicitly tell yourself that what you've done may not be perfect, but it is good enough.

Using the time on your commute home to wind down from work. Read a book or listen to your music to set aside some time to yourself. Maybe try cycling part of your journey or getting off a stop early to take a shortcut through a park or quiet streets. These little actions can really help you to switch of

